

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: MONTGOMERY ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT

Description of Proposal: The existing road needs to be widened to meet minimum Kittitas County road standards and City of Cle Elum standards. The proposed road extension will encroach within the existing stream bed near the existing 24" and 36" culvert outfalls. In order to accommodate the expansion, the existing stream channel needs to be realigned and moved away from the proposed road to minimize erosion impacts. In addition, two existing culverts will be replaced with a new single arched CMP culvert by Contech that will have a 1' bury and minimum 1' free board at 100 yr-flow. Rock-lined outfall/slope protection shall be provided per attached plan and details.

Proponent/Applicant:

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: North of the City of Cle Elum off of Mongomery Avenue, Washington, Kittitas County; Section 26, Township 20 North, Range 15 East WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **December 28, 2009**

You can submit your comments by email to <u>SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov</u>, through the WDFW SEPA website comment link at http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm, fax to (360) 902-2946, or mail to the address below. When you send us your comments, please provide the name of the proposal in your comment letter.

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.¹

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at

the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: December 14, 2009 SIGNATURE: Lessa A. Clurage

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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